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TOWN OFFICERS, 1885.

CLERK.

JAMES M. THOMPSON.

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS, AND OVERSEERS OF POOR.

JOHN W. TRUE, JAMES M. THOMPSON,
DAVID W. MERRILL.

TREASURER.

BENJAMIN W. MERRILL.

SUPERVISOR OF SCHOOLS.

J. F. HAMMOND.

COLLECTOR AND CONSTABLE.

BENJAMIN W. MERRILL.

ANNUAL REPORTS.

The Annual Reports of the Town Officers of the Town of New Gloucester, for the year ending March 1, 1886, are herewith submitted :

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

VALUATION.

Total valuation for the year 1885, \$835,521 00
Number of polls, 308. Poll tax, \$2.50. Rate of taxation,
.0115 on \$1.00.

ASSESSMENTS.

For State tax,	\$3,077 68	
County tax,	477 57	
	<hr/>	\$3,555 25
Support of schools,	\$1,800 00	
Contingent expenses,	1,500 00	
Repairs of school-houses,	200 00	
New school-house,	800 00	
Repairs of roads and bridges,	1,500 00	
Cutting down Morse Hill,	200 00	
Grading school-house lot,	300 00	
Grave-stones for poor who have died on Town Farm,	100 00	
Repair of hearse and cemeteries,	75 00	
Amount of overlay,	348 24	
	<hr/>	\$6,823 24
Total amount committed to collector,		\$10,378 49

RECEIPTS.

The receipts of the town from February 23, 1885, to February 19, 1886, have been as follows :

Received of M. R. Berry, treasurer for 1884,	\$352 03
Town of Casco, pauper ex- pense,	13 32

Received of Town of Poland, pauper ex-
pense,

	\$8 00
New Gloucester school fund,	288 65
City of Portland,	3 75
B. W. Merrill, collector for 1884,	150 00
Town of Poland, school money,	57 06
Town of Casco, pauper expense,	4 00
State school fund and mill tax,	624 71
Railroad and telegraph tax,	359 25
S. H. & A. C. Chandler, cash,	500 00
B. W. Merrill, collector for 1884,	1,494 41
Some person unknown, by hand of C. P. Haskell,	22 19
Town of Gray, pauper expenses,	24 00
Town of Wilton, pauper ex- penses,	99 00
Town of Gray, school money,	20 90
B. W. Merrill, guardian for T. J. Brackett,	50 00
Tax deed of J. P. Gerrish heirs,	3 31
Tax deed of J. M. Pool,	20 42
Tax deed of Roscoe Harris,	2 80
Tax deed of J. H. Mayall,	3 60
S. H. & A. C. Chandler, cash,	265 77
For old hearse,	11 00
Of B. W. Merrill, collector, cash,	6,022 21
	—————\$10,400 38

EXPENDITURES.

The amounts paid from the Treasury for the year ending February 19, 1886, have been as follows :

TOWN OFFICERS' BILLS FOR 1884.

Paid O. C. Nelson, selectman, assessor, etc.,	\$104 25
C. P. Haskell, selectman, assessor, etc.,	60 00

Paid A. L. Richards, selectman, assessor,	
etc.,	\$65 00
C. P. Haskell, supervisor of schools,	75 00
M. R. Berry, treasurer,	25 00
B. W. Merrill, collector,	177 30
B. W. Merrill, constable,	10 50
J. M. Thompson, town clerk,	12 05
Trustees of New Gloucester school fund,	13 00
J. Cleaves, heirs, town clerk for 1882,	5 00
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	\$547 10

SCHOOLS.

	DR.	
Paid for support of schools, as per bills		
approved by supervisor,	\$3,607 80	
Balance unexpended,	787 83	
	<hr/>	\$4,395 63
	CR.	
By unexpended balance, February 23,		
1885,	\$1,604 31	
Town appropriation,	1,800 00	
State school fund and mill tax for		
1884,	624 71	
New Gloucester school fund, due		
April 23, 1885,	288 65	
From Town of Poland,	57 06	
From Town of Gray,	20 90	
	<hr/>	\$4,395 63

BEAR BROOK SCHOOL-HOUSE.

Paid Z. A. Rowe, for putting in founda-	
tion,	\$75 00
J. I. Sturgis, for lumber,	270 17
Jordan, Frost & Co., for lumber	
and shingles,	215 60
D. B. Stevens, for doors, windows,	
etc.,	62 12
I. H. Keith, for lime, paint, oil, etc.,	79 63
Charles N. Clark, for labor,	6 00
C. R. Atwood, for brick,	9 00

Paid O. F. Marshall, for labor,	\$185 87	
F. W. Titcomb, for labor,	79 13	
G. W. Hatch, for labor,	78 75	
B. J. R. Small, for labor,	16 87	
E. A. White, for labor,	17 62	
Geo. L. Harmon, for labor,	31 50	
Isaiah Merrill, for labor,	12 60	
John Hatch, for labor,	8 25	
E. Y. Fogg, for sand,	5 50	
Maine Central Railroad, freight,	7 50	
Grand Trunk Railway, freight,	80	
Z. A. Rowe, for stone for foundation,	6 20	
Hoyt, Fogg & Donham, for school furniture,	106 96	
George H. Chase, for labor,	7 65	
	<hr/>	\$1,282 72

GRADING LOT AND BUILDING CULVERT AT LOWER CORNER.

Paid S. H. Hackett, for labor,	\$45 75	
L. C. Curtis, for labor,	40 78	
G. Mountfort, for labor,	8 75	
T. J. Greeley, for labor,	9 00	
John H. Ward, for labor,	24 37	
A. Buck, for labor,	19 50	
J. P. Nevens, for labor,	9 00	
N. Valentine, for labor,	11 00	
J. M. Thompson, for labor,	13 10	
M. R. Fogg, for labor,	10 80	
J. I. Sturgis, for lumber,	41 27	
C. H. Small, for labor,	6 65	
Geo. Blake & Son, for iron posts,	12 11	
Geo. L. Harmon, painting,	8 50	
Nathaniel Eveleth, for labor,	19 50	
C. W. Watson, for labor,	1 35	
Geo. E. Smith, for labor,	3 37	
I. H. Keith, paint, oil, etc.,	24 43	
	<hr/>	\$309 23

REPAIRING SCHOOL-HOUSE, DISTRICT No. 2.

Paid Jordan, Frost & Co., for lumber,	\$47 95	
A. Estes, for labor and lumber,	12 75	
John Ward, for labor,	6 00	
Isaiah Merrill, for graining,	13 00	
B. W. Merrill, for cash to pay for labor,	25 00	
B. W. Merrill, for labor,	4 37	
Geo. Blake & Son, for paint, oil, etc.,	58 07	
Geo. L. Harmon, for painting,	71 50	
D. W. Merrill, for labor and cash paid out for curtains, etc.,	27 13	
	<hr/>	\$265 77

REPAIRS OF SCHOOL-HOUSES.

Paid I. H. Keith, for paint, oil, etc.,	\$17 11	
J. I. Sturgis, for lumber,	5 03	
D. B. Stevens, for blinds,	10 69	
	<hr/>	\$32 83

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

1883.

Paid J. G. Bennett, rent of land for snow fence,	\$10 00	
B. W. Merrill, for cash advanced to pay road bills, as approved by road commissioners of 1884,	80 19	
E. N. Gilbert, for supporting pub- lic watering tub,	2 55	
	<hr/>	\$92 74

1884.

Paid S. E. Witham, for labor,	\$12 25	
C. S. Haskell, for labor,	3 40	
Chas. Schillenger, for labor,	5 25	
C. N. Fogg, for labor,	3 00	
W. P. Eveleth, for labor,	2 95	
J. W. Mitchell, for labor,	2 40	
Mrs. A. G. Stevens, for stable rent,	5 00	

Paid A. H. Nevens, for labor,	\$9 14
A. H. Nevens, for labor and cash paid for labor,	20 87
Geo. W. Ricker, for labor,	2 25
J. W. Jordan, for labor,	7 66
J. G. Bennett, for rent of land for snow fence,	10 00
J. A. King, for labor,	1 44
G. W. Ricker, for labor,	1 00
O. C. Nelson, for labor,	9 75
A. J. Haskell, for labor,	7 50
D. N. Jordan, for labor,	6 63
S. Harmon, for labor,	63
W. C. Bickford, for labor,	50
G. Mountfort, for labor,	5 29
A. Buck, for labor,	34 90
E. P. Blake, for labor,	15 68
J. W. Sawyer, for labor,	13 00
N. Rideout, for labor,	5 25
C. P. Haskell, for labor,	11 00
G. W. Haskell, for labor,	2 62
A. L. Richards, for labor,	4 02
F. H. Morse, for labor,	11 12
E. M. Morgan, for labor,	4 12
A. F. Cole, for labor,	6 50
A. I. Nevens, for labor,	2 44
F. M. Nevens, for labor,	2 37
S. Hicks, for labor,	1 12
D. C. McIntire, for labor,	50
E. N. Gilbert, for labor,	87
L. L. Whitman, for labor,	69
T. J. Dawes, for labor,	50
John Whitman, for labor,	25
C. P. Merrill, for labor,	50
A. Estes, for labor,	1 50
B. S. Shailer, for labor,	3 25
J. I. Sturgis, for labor,	4 18
C. L. Rice, for labor,	1 12
John Mitchell, for labor,	5 05

Paid E. J. Mitchell, for labor,	\$2 07	
Richard Larrabee, for labor,	2 00	
A. Larrabee, for labor,	2 31	
E. Field, for labor,	2 25	
A. J. Dawes, for labor,	50	
	<hr/>	\$258 59

1885.

Paid W. Jordan & Co., for lumber,	\$76 17
J. I. Sturgis, for lumber,	8 83
I. H. Keith, shovels, spikes, etc.,	2 62
D. W. Merrill, for labor, and cash paid out,	13 88
Nathan Johnson, for labor,	4 63
Daniel Cobb, for labor,	2 50
C. H. Small, for labor,	2 45
G. E. Smith, for labor,	3 00
W. P. Eveleth, for labor,	3 25
M. G. Greeley, for labor,	2 10
W. F. Ayer, for labor,	1 50
W. H. Eveleth, for labor,	18 00
Geo. Blake & Son, for spikes, etc.,	1 48
Maine Central Railroad, for freight,	25
J. W. True, for labor,	6 75
J. H. Day, for tools,	11 49
Blake & Buck, for labor,	546 00
E. P. Blake, for labor,	185 84
A. H. Jordan, for lumber,	34 25
Alvin Brown, for repairing tools,	65
E. Foss, for labor,	71 63
T. J. Greeley, for labor,	103 20
W. E. Blake, for labor,	107 62
L. C. Curtis, for labor,	91 25
L. C. Lewis, for labor,	3 75
J. W. Rideout, for labor,	3 00
James Hulitt, for labor,	3 00
M. G. Greeley, for labor,	3 00
C. S. Estes, for labor,	1 50
C. H. N. Rowe, for labor,	3 75
A. Buck, for labor,	39 25

Paid E. P. Blake, for contingent expenses,	\$1 75	
G. Mountfort, for labor,	22 50	
King Buck, for labor,	12 75	
A. J. Dawes, for labor,	1 38	
D. C. McIntire, for labor,	1 00	
F. Nevens, for labor,	1 18	
T. J. Dawes, for labor,	1 18	
L. L. Whitman, for labor,	68	
E. N. Gilbert, for labor,	1 05	
J. C. Lapham, for labor,	2 62	
H. M. Dunn, for labor,	6 75	
J. F. McCann, for labor,	1 44	
H. K. Patterson, for labor,	5 50	
Geo. B. Penney, for lumber,	10 04	
Fred B. Blake, for labor,	11 75	
	<hr/>	\$1,438 16
B. W. Merrill, for cash paid out for public watering tubs,		30 00
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\$1,468 16

CUTTING DOWN MORSE HILL.

Paid Kendall & Whitney, for road scrapers,	\$22 40	
Maine Central Railroad, for freight,	50	
A. Buck, for labor,	59 00	
E. P. Blake, for labor,	57 00	
King Buck, for labor,	21 00	
W. E. Blake, for labor,	22 50	
	<hr/>	\$182 40

TOWN FARM.

Paid C. W. Carsley, balance of salary as agent,	\$189 84
C. A. Andrews, salary to May 1st, 1885,	70 54
E. F. Libby, for grain and sawing lumber,	39 56
Wilber Johnson, for labor,	32 00
Mrs. Charlotte Rideout, for oxen,	140 00
C. A. Andrews, cash paid out for la- bor,	12 00

Paid C. A. Andrews, to pay for supplies,	\$5 84	
Chase & Stevens, stove castings, etc.,	5 12	
Wm. E. Blake, for hay,	20 62	
	<hr/>	\$515 52

PAUPERS OFF THE FARM.

1884.

Paid J. I. Sturgis, medical attendance on Deborah Tripp,	\$5 00	
Town of North Yarmouth, medical at- tendance and supplies furnished Deborah Tripp,	41 02	
Geo. Blake & Son, for pauper supplies furnished Clarissa Berry,	5 00	
City of Calais, for pauper supplies for the family of Frank Harmon,	87 42	
J. W. Stuart, for medical attendance on Mrs. Welch,	1 50	
	<hr/>	\$139 94

1885.

Paid Town of Minot, for pauper expenses of G. F. Berry and family,	\$25 38	
Town of Gray, for pauper expenses of G. F. Berry,	30 24	
J. I. Sturgis, for medical attendance on Abram Foster,	8 00	
A. G. Tinkham, for board and care of J. A. Verrill,	14 00	
O. B. & C. H. Dwinal, for board and care of J. A. Verrill,	44 00	
R. Jillson, for board and care of Bela Carpenter,	18 25	
J. W. True, to cash advanced to pay for support of family of Frank Harmon,	125 00	
I. H. Keith, for pauper supplies fur- nished Rosina Berry,	7 86	
Geo. Blake & Son, for pauper supplies furnished R. M. Larrabee,	6 00	
Geo. Blake & Son, for pauper supplies furnished A. J. Strout,	5 00	

Paid J. M. Thompson, for expense of taking E. G. Titcomb to Insane Asylum,	\$18 05	
P. A. Coller, for self and team in taking E. G. Titcomb to Augusta,	3 50	
J. I. Sturgis, for medical attendance on E. G. Titcomb,	1 75	
J. W. Stuart, for medical attendance on E. G. Titcomb,	1 75	
Treasurer Insane Hospital, for board and care of Thomas J. Brackett,	151 92	
	<hr/>	\$460 70

PAUPERS BELONGING TO OTHER TOWNS.

Paid Geo. Blake & Son, for supplies fur- nished C. R. Strout, Raymond pau- per,	\$5 00	
Emery Osgood, for coffin for John S. Shackford, Lewiston or Poland pauper,	15 00	
John I. Sturgis, for medical attendance on child of Abner Strout, Gray pauper,	3 00	
J. I. Sturgis, for medical attendance on the family of C. R. Strout, Ray- mond pauper,	10 00	
Wm. Edwards, for pauper supplies furnished H. S. Edwards, Casco pauper,	4 00	
J. W. Stuart, for medical attendance on the wife of J. W. Foote, Wil- ton pauper,	82 00	
Bradford & Conant, for coffin for wife of J. W. Foote,	15 00	
	<hr/>	\$134 00

CEMETERIES.

Paid W. F. Hulitt, for labor,	\$3 00
A. C. Shaw, for labor,	6 00
A. C. Shaw, for biers,	6 00

Paid P. C. Burgess, for labor,	\$1 50	
W. L. Shurtleff, for labor and bier,	6 50	
	<hr/>	\$23 00
Paid for grave stones for poor who have died on the Town Farm,		\$54 40

ABATEMENTS ON ASSESSMENTS.

1882.

Sewall F. Harmon, poll tax, not liable,	\$2 00	
Freeman H. Hall, poll tax and personal property, residence unknown,	2 52	
Silas May, poll tax, poor,	2 00	
Humphrey May, poor,	1 00	
Frank Woodman, poll tax, not liable,	2 00	
George Yetten, real estate, dead,	2 10	
J. D. Rice, residence unknown,	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$13 62

1883.

Timothy Berry, real estate, poor,	\$0 72	
Daniel Cobb, real estate, poor,	89	
Bela Carpenter, poll tax, poor,	2 00	
Joseph Eldridge, poll tax, residence un- known,	2 00	
Charles Griffin, poll tax, not liable,	2 00	
W. B. Holt, poll tax, not liable,	2 00	
S. F. Harmon, poll tax, not liable,	2 00	
Irvin Hobart, poll tax, not liable,	2 00	
Fred Higgins, poll tax, not liable,	2 00	
J. P. Johnson, poll tax, not liable,	2 00	
W. A. Jordan, poll tax and delinquent highway tax, not liable,	3 00	
Cyrus Larrabee, poll tax and personal prop- erty,	2 45	
Alonzo Larrabee, real estate (owned by town),	2 23	
J. D. Rice, poll tax, not liable,	2 00	
W. H. Tripp, poll tax, poor,	2 00	
Walter Small, poll tax, not liable,	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$31 29

1884.

Timothy Berry, real estate, poor,	\$0 94
Charles Brackett, poll tax, not liable,	2 50
J. M. Haskell, poll tax, over 70 years,	2 50
W. B. Holt, delinquent highway tax of 1883, not liable,	1 00
Isaac Harmon, poll tax, not liable,	2 50
S. F. Harmon, poll tax, not liable,	2 50
Charles Harmon, poll tax, not liable,	2 50
Irvin Hobart, delinquent highway tax, not liable,	1 00
Hodgkins, given name not known, poll tax,	2 50
Fred Higgins, poll tax and delinquent high- way tax, not liable,	3 50
School-house taxation, District No. 10,	6 46
Ira C. Chase, real estate, not liable,	8 75
C. E. Kidder, poll tax, under age,	2 50
Cyrus Larrabee, poll tax and personal es- tate,	2 94
A. Larrabee, real estate (owned by town),	3 13
D. B. McIntire, poll tax, not liable,	2 50
Melville May, poll tax, not liable,	2 50
Willard Megquier, poll tax and personal property, dead,	3 31
S. G. Norton, poll tax, not liable,	2 50
C. K. Nelson, poll tax, poor,	2 50
G. K. Pierce, poll tax, sick,	2 50
J. D. Rice, poll tax, delinquent highway tax, not liable,	3 50
P. W. Small, poll tax, not liable,	2 50
A. W. Thompson, poll tax, dead,	2 50
W. H. Tripp, poll tax, poor,	2 50
S. A. Woodbury, poll tax, not liable,	2 50
Jacob Wilber, poll tax, over 70 years,	2 50

 \$77 03

1885.

Mrs. F. H. Merrill, personal property over tax,	\$1 72
School-house taxation, District No. 10,	10 27

William Witham, personal property over tax,	\$0 92	
W. W. Witham, real estate, over tax,	1 15	
G. W. Plummer, poll tax, disability,	2 50	
Amos Bachelder and Samuel Boardman, real estate over valuation,	1 15	
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		\$17 71

CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

Paid J. W. True, postage and stationery,	\$3 90
J. W. True, contingent expenses,	3 60
S. F. Hilton, for attending 18 funerals,	36 00
J. M. Thompson, record book, express, postage, and stationery,	2 50
J. M. Thompson, contingent expense,	1 90
J. M. Thompson, care of tramps,	1 50
D. W. Merrill, contingent expense,	1 94
Hoyt, Fogg & Donham, books and stationery,	11 78
B. W. Merrill, for recording tax deeds,	3 58
B. W. Merrill, non-resident tax deeds, 1883,	57 29
B. W. Merrill, non-resident tax deeds, 1884,	69 40
B. W. Merrill, for cash to pay taxes on non-resident property now owned by the town,	27 71
Lewiston Journal, for diplomas for 1884,	9 25
Lewiston Journal, for printing town reports for 1883 and 1884,	81 50
I. H. Keith, for glass, etc., for town house, 1884,	98
O. C. Nelson, contingent expenses, 1884,	2 65
F. H. Merrill, wood for town house, 1884,	1 25
S. H. & A. C. Chandler, order for money loaned the town,	500 00

Paid S. H. & A. C. Chandler, interest on		
same,	\$18 50	
	<hr/>	\$828 23
Total amount of receipts,		\$10,400 38
Total amount of expenditures,	\$10,342 78	
Balance in hand of treasurer,	57 60	
	<hr/>	\$10,400 38

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE TOWN.

RESOURCES.

Balance in hand of treasurer,	\$57 60	
Amount due from the collector,	801 03	
Railroad and telegraph tax for 1885,	368 99	
State school fund and mill tax for 1885,	620 25	
New Gloucester school fund, due April 23,		
1886,	288 65	
Due from the town of Poland for tuition		
(estimated),	38 50	
from the town of Gray for tuition (es-		
timated),	21 00	
from the town of Poland or Lewiston,	15 00	
from the town of Raymond,	15 00	
from Charles N. Fogg, for school-house,	85 00	
from Herman Webber, for old hearse,	5 00	
Liquor and casks as per bill,	74 26	
	<hr/>	\$2,390 28

LIABILITIES.

Amount due the schools,	\$787 83	
Collector's fees for 1885,	103 78	
Town officers' bills (estimated),	335 00	
Outstanding bills (estimated),	60 00	
Due Hermon Webber, for painting school-		
house,	18 00	
Outstanding orders,	18 12	
Due E. Y. Fogg, for school-house lot,	75 00	
Due S. H. & A. C. Chandler, for money		
loaned to repair school-house in Dis-		
trict No. 2, as per vote of town,	265 77	
Balance in favor of town,	726 78	
	<hr/>	\$2,390 28

TOWN FARM ACCOUNT.

CHARLES W. CARSELEY, AGENT.

DR.

To Agent's salary,	\$355 54	
Supplies purchased by agent,	657 49	
E. F. Libby, for supplies,	39 56	
Wilber Johnson, for labor,	32 00	
Mrs. Charlotte Rideout, for oxen,	140 00	
C. A. Andrews, cash paid for labor,	12 00	
C. A. Andrews, cash paid for supplies,	5 84	
Chase & Stevens, for stove castings, etc.,	5 12	
Wm. E. Blake, for hay,	20 62	
	<hr/>	\$1,268 17

CR.

By sales from the farm,	\$752 65	
Produce more than last year in value,	94 58	
Stock more than last year in value,	47 00	
Balance against the farm,	373 94	
	<hr/>	\$1,268 17

Amount of stock and supplies on the farm: 1 horse, 11 cows, 1 yoke of yearling steers, 3 shoats, 45 hens, 18 tons hay, 1 ton straw, 50 bushels corn on the ear, 35 bushels of oats, 10 bushels beans, 300 pounds pork, 50 pounds fresh meat, 100 pounds beef, 70 pounds lard, 75 pounds sugar, 75 bushels potatoes, 17 pounds tea, 12 pounds coffee, 17 pounds soap, 7 pounds butter, 24 gallons kerosene oil, 4 barrels cider, 15 gallons vinegar, 30 pounds tallow, 18 bushels ground feed, 50 pounds ham, and vegetables enough for family use. The number of poor on the farm is five.

Mr. Charles A. Andrews gave up his position as Agent the last of April, and Charles W. Carsley and wife were employed to finish out his unexpired term. We think the poor have been well cared for by the earnest efforts of Mr. and Mrs. Carsley. Everything in the house goes to show that Mrs. C. is a thorough housekeeper. The stock is in fine condition. There has been sold from April 1, 1885, to February 1, 1886 (10 months), cream to the amount of \$409.75, and the prospect is that the cows will do as well, if not better, during the coming year.

GENERAL REMARKS.

Mrs. Harmon, with her six children, is still living at Calais, and under the arrangements made by our predecessors she has continued to receive \$2.50 per week during the past year. The prospect is that in a year or two her children will be able to contribute enough towards her support to enable her to dispense with the assistance she now receives from the town. Notice was received from Elbridge Titcomb that his son, Edwin G. Titcomb, was, in his opinion, insane. Upon investigation and a medical examination, it was thought advisable to remove him to the insane hospital, where he was committed, January 28, 1886. Thomas J. Brackett is still at the insane hospital, a raving maniac, with no prospect of any improvement in his condition.

Your selectmen, acting in the capacity of road commissioners, have continued in very nearly the same line as was marked out by our predecessors. We were fortunate in securing the services of a heavy team of four horses owned in town, and a large amount of work was done, but the season was very unfavorable on account of heavy rains washing the roads badly. We think the system a correct one, and would advise its continuance, for the present at least.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. TRUE,

J. M. THOMPSON,

D. W. MERRILL,

Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of the Poor, etc.

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

Dr.

To received from M. R. Berry, treasurer of 1884,	\$352 03
Town of Casco, pauper expense,	13 32
Town of Casco, pauper expense,	8 00
New Gloucester, school fund,	288 65
City of Portland, pauper expense,	3 75
B. W. Merrill, collector for 1884,	150 00
Town of Poland, school money,	57 06
Town of Casco, pauper expense,	4 00
State school fund and mill tax,	624 71
Railroad and telegraph tax,	359 25
S. H. & A. C. Chandler,	500 00
B. W. Merrill, collector for 1884,	1,494 41
By the hand of C. P. Haskell from some person or persons un- known,	22 19
Town of Gray, pauper expense,	24 00
Town of Wilton, pauper expense,	99 00

To received from Town of Gray, school money,	\$20 90
B. W. Merrill, guardian for T. J. Brackett,	50 00
Tax deed of J. P. Ger-rish heirs,	3 31
Tax deed of J. M. Pool,	20 42
Tax deed of Roscoe Harris,	2 80
Tax deed of J. H. Mayall,	3 60
S. H. & A. E. Chandler, cash,	265 77
For old hearse,	11 00
Cash from collector,	6,022 21
	—————\$10,400 38

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By Town orders taken up,	\$10,342 78
Cash in treasury,	57 60
	—————\$10,400 38

B. W. MERRILL, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF TREASURER OF NEW GLOUCESTER SCHOOL FUND.

Amount of capital in notes,		\$4,144 30
Amount of interest due April 23, 1886,	\$248 65	
Four shares of First National Bank Stock of Portland,		409 50
Interest on same,	40 00	
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	\$288 65	\$4,553 80
Amount paid the town schools the past year for support of schools,	\$288 65	

B. W. MERRILL, *Treasurer.*

New Gloucester, Feb. 20, 1886.

REPORT OF TRUSTEE OF EZRA TOBIE FUND.

Amount received from the fund,		\$30 00
Amount paid out for the benefit of paupers on the Town Farm,	\$20 00	
Amount paid to the poor of the town not on the farm,	10 00	
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		\$30 00

S. H. CHANDLER, *Trustee.*

New Gloucester, Feb. 4, 1886.

REPORT OF SCHOOL SUPERVISOR.

To the Citizens of New Gloucester :

The Supervisor of Schools respectfully submits the following annual report :

The whole number of children in town between the ages of 4 and 21 years, on the first day of April, 1885, was	388
Whole number attending Summer Schools,	229
Average number attending Summer Schools,	219
Whole number attending Fall Schools,	212
Average number attending Fall Schools,	170
Whole number attending Winter Schools,	242
Average number attending Winter Schools,	210

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RESOURCES.

Amount in the treasury available for school purposes, Feb. 27, 1885,	\$193 68	
Amount voted by the town,	1,800 00	
Received from the State,	624 65	
Received from town school fund,	288 65	
Received from town of Poland, for tuition,	57 06	
Received from town of Gray, for tuition,	20 90	
Due from non-residents, for tuition (estimated),	59 50	
		<hr/> \$3,044 44

EXPENDITURES.

Paid teachers' wages for Summer Schools,	\$715 50
teachers' wages for Fall Schools,	717 50
teachers' wages for Winter Schools,	1,072 00
for contingent expenses and school supplies,	55 40
for care of school buildings,	67 00
for cleaning school-houses,	19 63
for stove and funnel,	19 00
for wood and coal for use in 1886 (estimated),	175 00

Paid for wood and coal for use in 1885 (under-estimated last year),	\$27 58
for coal for use in 1883 (approved by C. P. Haskell),	15 80
John L. Megquier, proportion of school money for 1884, more than was charged as due him by Report of Supervisor for 1885,	6 85
Frank Edwards, proportion of school money for 1884, more than was charged as due him by Report of Supervisor for 1885,	6 95
Geo. S. Wilson, proportion of school money for part of the school year of 1885,	1 15
C. P. Haskell, for stationery, postage, expenses, charges, etc., 1885,	9 87
Underestimates last year,	11 89
	<hr/> \$2,921 12
Balance unexpended,	<hr/> \$123 32

TABULAR STATEMENT.

SUMMER TERM.

Schools.	Names of Teachers.	Whole number of pupils.	Average number of pupils.	Length of school in weeks.	Weekly compensation.	Amt. paid teachers including board.
Lower Corner.	George P. Morgan.	32	28	10	\$8 75	\$87 50
Upper Corner.	Mary L. Bickford.	22	19	10	7 00	70 00
Bald Hill.	Lizzie W. Smith.	24	19	10	7 00	70 00
Cobb's Bridge.	Grace Read.	13	11	8	6 00	48 00
Bear Brook.	Isaac Hobart.	22	19	10	7 50	75 00
Harris Hill.	Maggie J. Small.	38	31	10	7 50	75 00
Pond.	Dora M. Thurlow.	23	18	10	5 00	50 00
Webber's.	Helen L. Nevens.	12	10	10	5 50	55 00
Shakers'.	Ada S. Cummings.	16	14	10	5 00	50 00
Meadow Brook.	Mary E. Jordan.	11	10	10	4 50	45 00
Penney's.	Grace E. Curtis.	4	3	10	4 50	45 00
Bickford's.	Mary L. Holmes.	12	10	10	4 50	45 00

FALL TERM.

Schools.	Names of Teachers.	Whole number of pupils.	Average number of pupils.	Length of school in weeks.	Weekly compensation.	Amt. paid teachers including board.
Lower Corner.	{ George P. Morgan.	} 39	34	{ 10 9	\$11 25	\$112 50
	{ Gertrude A. Marshall.				1 00	9 00
Upper Corner.	Edith True.	23	18	10	7 00	70 00
Bald Hill.	Lizzie W. Smith.	22	19	10	7 00	70 00
Cobb's Bridge.	Grace E. Curtis.	13	11	11	6 00	66 00
Bear Brook.	Mary G. Morgan.	17	14	10	6 50	65 00
Harris Hill.	{ E. I. Sawyer.	} 31	29	10	{ 7 50 4 00	75 00 40 00
	{ Susie E. Day.					
Pond.	Mary E. Jordan.	19	15	10	5 50	55 00
Webber's.	Mary L. Bickford.	16	14	10	6 00	60 00
Meadow Brook.	Delia I. Griffin.	11	9	10	4 50	45 00
Bickford's.	Mary L. Holmes.	10	7	10	5 00	50 00

WINTER TERM.

Schools.	Names of Teachers.	Whole number of pupils.	Average number of pupils.	Length of school in weeks.	Weekly compensation.	Amt. paid teachers including board.
Lower Corner.	{ George P. Morgan.	} 33	30	{ 10 5 2-5 4 3-5	\$11 25	\$112 50
	{ Gertrude L. Brown.				4 00	21 60
	{ Gertrude A. Marshall.				1 50	6 90
Upper Corner.	Edith True.	23	19	10	7 75	77 50
Bald Hill.	{ Lizzie W. Smith.	} 29	24	{ 10 3	7 75	77 50
	{ Hattie E. True.				1 00	3 00
Cobb's Bridge.	Grace E. Curtis.	13	11	11	6 50	71 50
Bear Brook.	Mary G. Morgan.	21	16	10	7 00	70 00
Harris Hill.	{ E. I. Sawyer.	} 36	33	10	{ 11 25 4 50	112 50 45 00
	{ Susie E. Day.					
Pond.	Mary E. Jordan.	21	16	10	6 00	60 00
Webber's.	Mary L. Bickford.	17	15	10	7 00	70 00
Shakers'.	Ada S. Cummings.	26	25	16	6 00	96 00
Meadow Brook.	W. H. Greeley.	6	5 9-10	10	6 00	60 00
Penney's.	O. B. C. Kenney.	10	8	16	8 00	128 00
Bickford's.	George L. Eveleth.	9	8	10	6 00	60 00

The progress of the pupils in their school work, the past year, has been satisfactory. The attendance throughout the year has been better than the preceding year, indicating that the interest on

the part of the pupils has not only been kept up, but increased. The following pupils have graduated: From the Lower Corner School—Hattie E. Woodbury, Gertrude A. Marshall, Nellie A. Curtis, Julia A. Curtis, Mary C. Haskell, Charles H. Thompson, Harry F. Hilton, and Harry C. Woodbury; Bald Hill School—Gertrude B. Davis and Mary L. Pierce; Cobb's Bridge School—Rosa B. Ward and Roland K. White; Bear Brook School—Orie R. Fogg; Harris Hill School—Alice G. Berry, Carrie V. Buck, Hattie E. Harmon, Charles W. Small, and Eugene P. Smith. But a very small class will be fitted as they should be to graduate the coming year. On account of the extra recitations caused by the advance studies in the large schools, assistant teachers have been employed in order that the recitations of the smaller pupils might not be hurried or their work neglected, which was bringing discredit upon the graduating system; and judging from personal observation, and the testimony of the teachers and pupils, the arrangement has been satisfactory and given good results.

The great need of our schools, and that to which our teachers should put forth the most strenuous endeavors, is to stimulate the self-reliance, exert and develop the thinking powers of the minds of the pupils, and not only have the facts of the text-books memorized, but see that the pupils understand the practical bearings of those facts for use in their every-day life and experience. I hope that the interest in the school on the part of the citizens will not abate, and that the parents will give the teachers their encouragement and sympathy, for if the pupils feel that the teachers are having the sympathy and encouragement of the parents, and know that they are expected, as they should be, to do the very best they can to do thorough, careful school work, they will respond with alacrity to the demands of the teachers. Parents should consider that their children have but a short time to make their life preparation and in that time the most advantage should be taken of the opportunities within reach.

Do not be afraid to ask for a great deal of work on the part of the teachers and school officers, as that will be effective. In order to have good schools the teachers must be workers and progressive.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. HAMMOND, .

Supervisor of Schools.

New Gloucester, Feb. 20, 1886.

Warrant for Annual Town Meeting.

To BENJAMIN W. MERRILL, a constable of the town of New Gloucester, in the County of Cumberland, GREETING :

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town of New Gloucester, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the Town House in said town, on the first day of March, A.D. 1886, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, viz. :

ARTICLE 1st.

To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ARTICLE 2d.

To choose a clerk for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 3d.

To receive and allow accounts.

ARTICLE 4th.

To hear and act on reports.

ARTICLE 5th.

To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 6th.

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for contingent expenses.

ARTICLE 7th.

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the support of schools.

ARTICLE 8th.

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the repair of roads and bridges.

ARTICLE 9th.

To see in what manner the sum of money voted for the repair of roads and bridges shall be raised.

ARTICLE 10th.

To see what sum the town will vote to allow per hour for labor on the highway for men, oxen, and horses.

ARTICLE 11th.

To see if the town will vote to allow Geo. S. Wilson, John B. Sawyer, Frances Edwards, Nathan E. Fickett, and John L. Megquier to draw their proportion of school money.

ARTICLE 12th.

To see if the town will vote to purchase a lot and build a Town House, and what sum of money they will vote to raise for that purpose.

ARTICLE 13th.

To see if the town will vote to raise two hundred and eighty dollars to pay for repairing school-house in District No. 2.

ARTICLE 14th.

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to keep the school-houses in repair.

ARTICLE 15th.

To see if the town will vote to reconsider the vote whereby they voted to discontinue the town way between the house of John R. Griffin and the Collins house, so-called.

ARTICLE 16th.

To see if the town will vote to purchase land and enlarge the cemetery near the Free Baptist Meeting-House and what sum of money shall be raised for that purpose.

ARTICLE 17th.

To see if the town will vote to purchase land and enlarge the cemetery at Upper Gloucester, and what sum of money shall be raised for that purpose.

ARTICLE 18th.

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to keep the cemeteries in repair.

ARTICLE 19th.

To see if the town will vote to change the time of holding the annual Town Meetings from the first to the second Monday in March.

ARTICLE 20th.

To see if the town will reconsider the vote whereby it was voted

that the agent's year on the town farm should commence on the 20th day of February, and to fix the time when said agent's year shall commence.

ARTICLE 21st.

To see if the town will vote to pay Thomas G. Haskell for supporting a public watering-tub for the years 1884 and 1885.

ARTICLE 22d.

To see if the town will vote to instruct its Supervisor of Schools to appoint an Examining Committee to examine all candidates for graduation from our public schools.

The Selectmen give notice that they will be in session for the purpose of revising and correcting the list of voters, at the Town House, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, on said day of meeting.

Given under our hands at New Gloucester, this eighteenth day of February, A. D. 1886.

J. W. TRUE,
J. M. THOMPSON,
D. W. MERRILL,

Selectmen of New Gloucester.

